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In re application of:

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DECISION ON PETITION

Serial No.: 09/654,743

Filed: September 1, 2000

For: MANNALIAN IAP GENE FAMILY, PRIMERS, PROBES,
AND DETECTION METHODS

This is a decision on the petition received September 24, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures was mailed on January 10, 2002. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned March 11, 2002. A notice of abandonment was mailed on August 9, 2002.

On September 24, 2002, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that the attorney response to the Notice on March 7, 2002.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners did respond to the Notice on March 7, 2002. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that the attorney responded to the Notice on March 7, 2002.

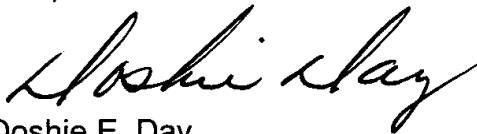
The petition is hereby GRANTED.

The original response received March 7, 2002, has been located and entered into the records of the application

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the attorney.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 1643.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Doshie E. Day at (703) 308-3640.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Doshie E. Day".

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